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Congressional Information

Name: Beall, James Glennn - Republican - Senator from Maryland

Home: Frostburg, Maryland

Born: Frostburg - June 5, 1894

Marital Status: Margaret Schwargenbach - three sons

Military: WW I - Ordnance Corps, USA - discharged with rank of sergeant

Education: Gettysburg College

Profession: Businessman

Experience: Insurance and real estate business; member of Alleghany County Road Commission (1923-30); served in Maryland State Senate (1930-34); served as member and chairman of Maryland State Road Commission (1938-39); elected to 78th Congress, reelected to 79th through 82d Congresses.  
Elected to Senate in 1952; reelected in 1958 for term ending January 1965.

Member: Sigma Chi; Episcopalian, Mason, American Legion

Committees: Armed Services - *Sub Natl. Stockfile*

Banking and Currency (Subcommittees: Housing; Small Business; Production and Stabilization)

District of Columbia (Subcommittees: Fiscal Affairs; Business and Commerce - Chairman; Metropolitan Area Problems)

Bases: Andrews AFB

Remarks: Kind of man many people call by his first name and he in turn calls many other people by their first name. He is a mild mannered man to the point of shyness, yet he doesn't hesitate to state his views firmly when asked to give them.  
Is interested in air traffic in Washington area.

Noted there has been some criticism of former military officers taking jobs with defense contractors -- "I certainly know of no case where a former officer was given a job as a reward, or payoff, for some favor he rendered while in service. . . . I have not observed or been made aware of any such lobbying which could be frowned upon. I have heard of no complaints in this regard from any other Senator."

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F-27 - during debate on FY60 DOD budget - very desirous that budgeting for F-27 be included in the bill. This, so Hagerstown plant of Fairchild, be not closed down. Senate included funds but item was deleted in conference. (Cong. Record August 4, 1959 P 13767)

Some bills he introduced in the 86th Congress were: equalization of retired pay; health benefits for retired employees; authorized DOD to indemnify contractors against nuclear risk; establish a Bureau of Submarines in D/Navy.

87th Congress - comments --

B-70 -- inserted April 17, 1961 Newsweek article by Gen. Carl Spaatz "The Case for the B-70 in An Age of Missiles." Senator Beall said -- "One of the most important items in President Kennedy's defense message concerns the future of the B-70 supersonic jet bomber." (Cong. Record April 14, 1961 P A2512)

Shipyards --- increasingly concerned by DOD policies which permit Government-owned, Government-operated naval shipyards to operate at fairly steady levels of activity while private shipyards go out of business." (Cong. Record May 9, 1961 Page A3203)

Defense -- requested Sen. Russell to submit list of his questions to Sec. Zuckert and Gen. White because he could not be present during AF portion of Senate Armed Services Committee hearings on authorizing appropriations for aircraft, missiles, and naval vessels in April 1961. They were: (1) What action has AF taken on its B-70 program as a result of President Kennedy's budget message? (2) Doesn't this put the plan for the B-70 development back to the program to which the Congress objected in December of 1959? (3) Under the cutback program, will you still be able to apply the experimental B-70 as early as before? (4) How does the cut back program affect the time by which you could have a B-70 force in operation? (5) In your opinion what would be the greatest shortcoming of our strategic capability without the B-70 in the time period for which you were developing it? (6) There has been an inference that the B-70 would be a subsonic low altitude aircraft? Is this correct? (7) What is the AF position relative to the increased phase down of the B-47? Gen. White expressed concern for the high proportion of fixed missile sites and the lack of a high performance manned bomber to operate at high altitudes to search out the inaccurately or only generally known targets, either fixed or moving, which the B-70 would provide. (P 354-356)

Unification -- need for in DOD - said an increasing amount of editorial space is being devoted to the defense needs of US. Inserted Carroll County Times (July 20) editorial "One of America's Greatest Current Needs -- A Really Unified Department of Defense." (Cong. Record July 24, 1961 Page A5596)

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